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just to give you a framework here, I hope very much that you will reject the amendment. But I have been talking to lots and lots of people, and I know that I have to take an enormous cut here, and you will be offered an amendment that will reduce it to \$2 million instead of \$1.5 million, and that extra \$500,000 would help a lot with getting this particular project, I think, substantiated. I worry about us sometimes, in the sense that I wonder if we lack confidence in ourselves and lack confidence in the truly attractive things that we have in this state, and lack the confidence to make the investments that we need to make, in order to get a return. And this is one of those areas where, if you look around the country, whether it's San Francisco or a whole number of the large cities, they're engaging in multiple ways to attract tourism and to attract tourists. And we have all sorts of things in this state that can attract, if we invest in them, if we use the arts and the humanities, and all of the resources that we have to put together things that are truly meaningful to people. And I'm hoping that if we can get into this a little bit, we can see that it works. There are areas all over this state that show great potential--Fort Robinson out in the west, an enormously attractive thing right now; has enormous additional potential, but it needs money in various kinds of ways, but there's one thing that could benefit from programs or projects or little incremental additions that can go in from the arts and the humanities for particular occasions or events and make something that's a good event a great event, and something that can truly attract from other areas of the state. Fort Kearney--maybe we need a Mormon center, if we can put some things together in North Omaha. Maybe the Kearney Archway can be helped by additional programming involving the humanities and the arts. Music festivals, art festivals, the MONA center, just all sorts of fantastically interesting possibilities, and that's what this funding is all about, and again, I hope you'll see fit to do a little better than \$1.5 million. Thank you.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Chambers, you're recognized to speak.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I do believe in the arts, along with my belief in algebra, and my third belief that something is going to happen. There are